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Schools receive good report card

Tests show improvement by students

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

Granite City students continue to hold their own on standardized tests, according to the results of the 1994-94 state report card released last week.

Ron Holloway, director of elementary education for the school district, and Tom Holloway, director of secondary education, expressed satisfaction at continued student improvement on the state-mandated tests.

State said district students improved in six of the eight areas tested by the Illinois Goal Assessment Program (IGAP). Holloway said the schools are taking action to correct areas where the district falls short of expectations.

While the district's achievement continues to be well below the state average, for example, an award-winning program, Positive Learning with Us (PLUS), has been implemented as an effort to retain students.

Holloway said these are some of the findings of the report card.

DISTRICTWIDE — 99.6 percent of parents-guardians made at least one contact with their children's teachers during the year, much lower than the state average of 91.6 percent.

The school district continues to be dominated ethnically: 35.8 percent of all students are white, 1.9 percent are black, 1.5 percent are Hispanic.

The district continues to operate efficiently. Operating expenditure per pupil is \$4,677, considerably less than the state average of \$5,705 per pupil.

7 percent Asian-Pacific Islander and 1 percent Native American.

At 34.4 percent, the district has slightly more students from low-income families than the state average of 30.9 percent.

Attendance last year was 92.1 percent, slightly worse than the state average of 93.4 percent. Similarly, student mobility in the district was slightly higher than the state average.

Twenty-one percent of district students moved (either out of or within the district) compared with 19.3 percent statewide.

Class turnout continues to be a chronic problem at 83 percent, well above the state average of 74.4 percent.

Average class size is 23.7 students, four more than the state average.

The average teacher in the district has 16.4 (See REPORT, Page 2A)

County finances 'smooth'

Madison County is on a smooth financial course, County Board members were told last week when they adopted a \$74.8 million budget for the fiscal year beginning Dec. 1.

The balanced budget projects a small growth in general fund revenues and an even greater increase in expenditures. Finance Committee Chairman William Little of Alton said, praising county officials for their prudence.

"Our operation of our departments in saving money where possible, keeping expenditures within the budgeted amounts and successfully managing our personnel to continue to provide efficient public services has been outstanding," Little said.

The spending plan calls for \$25.6 million in general fund expenditures, up about \$1.6 million from this year. The rest of the budget is funded by special taxes, grants and other sources.

An approved was a \$17.7 million county tax levy for fiscal 1996 that is expected to result in a tax rate about the same as last year.

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Mayoral reading — Granite City Mayor Ron Slep talks to a group of children at Head Start after reading to them. His efforts were a part of the local celebration of Literacy Week.

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John Fuller, Chief Meteorologist, KSDK-TV Channel 5



Bridge opening this week

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Replacing an additional beam on the old Chain of Rocks Bridge delayed its reopening to normal traffic.

The bridge was expected to be open Tuesday according to Illinois Department of Transportation officials Monday.

The bridge has been closed to heavy

truck traffic since September because of structural problems discovered during an IDOT inspection.

Initial repairs were made by IDOT crews, and Keeley & Sons, Inc., of East St. Louis, was recently awarded the \$374,000 contract to finish repairs. The repairs had been expected to be completed by early November, but were delayed after IDOT added the installation of a new beam to the contract.

"We added one item to the contract," said Dale Kahr, IDOT district engineer.

That item was a main beam, and the

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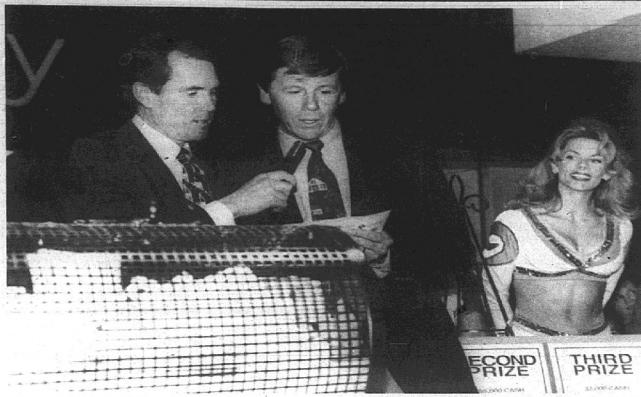
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Mark Fulford announces the winner in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters raffle as MC Craig Virgin, left, and Rams cheerleader Melissa Pennell of Granite City look on.

(Staff photo by MARK HODAPP)

Early Christmas present

Belleville man wins house in benefit raffle

By Rosemary Hicks
Staff writer

He told his friends all month he was going to buy a house when the call came last week. Noel P. Schott of Belleville did not believe it.

Christmas came early for Schott, 45, when he became the grand prize winner of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Southwestern Illinois House Raffle.

Wednesday night Big Brothers/Big Sisters officials pulled out the names of the 40 winners in order, then built up suspense by leaving the grand prize winners name until last.

Joanne Kramer of St. Louis won second prize, \$5,000. The \$2,000 third prize went to Thea Hagan of East St. Louis. Winners of the four through 40 received \$200.

As the grand prize winner, Schott will receive the house, the proud owner of a \$185,000 house or \$100,000 cash.

"I haven't made a decision yet," Schott said Friday. "I'm investigating the tax difficulties. I'll probably take

the house though. I went out to see the model they have, and it is beautiful. I think my two dogs would really like it and so would my girlfriend."

He said with a smile that if he took the money, he would probably spend half on wine and women, and then spend the other half foolishly.

Schott was one of 3,200 people in the Greater St. Louis area who bought one of the \$100 tickets for the chance at winning the \$185,000 Fulford Home, located in the Manors at Woodfield off Old Collinsville Road. More than three-fourth of the tickets were sold the week before the drawing.

More than 500 people packed into St. Clair Square Wednesday, anxiously awaiting the drawing. Schott, however, was not able to make the drawing.

"I had company here at home," he said. "I wanted to go to the drawing, but couldn't get away. I'm definitely going to buy another ticket next year. This was a great fund raiser."

Schott will also celebrate his

birthday Nov. 24, and said he plans to have a big party to celebrate his good fortune.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Southwestern Illinois have not yet determined how much money the house raffle will produce for the program. The amount will be determined until Schott has reached a decision and other expenses are deducted from the proceeds.

"We are just delighted that the tickets were sold out," said Barbara Cempura, executive director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Southwestern Illinois.

"The proceeds will be used to recruit, screen and train volunteers to work with the 185 children on our waiting list. The computer system will also be updated."

She said that while Big Brothers/Big Sisters receives some money from grants, 90 percent of its funds is raised through private contributions, special events and fund raising.

The area program serves approximately 383 youths from Madison and St. Clair counties.

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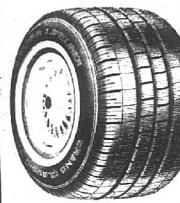
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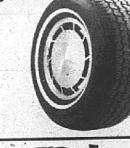
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By Martin Richter
Staff writer

Fairview Heights is making a pitch to host the 1998 World Baseball Championships, which would bring the best 15- and 16-year-old players from a dozen countries — and hopefully thousands and thousands of tourist dollars.

The president of the Switzerland-based International Baseball Association, Richard Belec,

toured Longmeadow Park on Nov. 10 with Fairview Heights Parks and Recreation Director Terry Wilson said Belec would like to see the tournament held here. Wilson said Belec had been on his site visit to Fairview Heights, and the IBA will review the report and vote on whether to hold the tournament here.

The tournament will consist of teams made up of 18 players, ages 15 and 16, selected from each country.

The level of competition, and of interest, should be extremely high, Wilson said. "You've got the best of the best," he said. "This would be the No. 1 tournament in that age group."

"There's a minimum of 12 teams that need to be here. That's a pretty good number, but the right number there are 12 countries that are pretty competitive in baseball."

"We're talking about Japan, China, Australia, Italy,

probably Belgium, the Dominican Republic, South Africa, Cuba, Mexico..." he said.

There will be costs involved with hosting the tournament, including paying for technical staff, transportation, food and housing for players and coaches. There will be no home stays for this tournament; all players would stay in dormitories or motels. Wilson estimated the cost could be around \$200,000. He said the city will look for corporate sponsors for the tournament.

Fairview Heights hosted the Pan Am games, an international baseball tournament for 15- and 16-year-olds, at Longmeadow Park in August. The city also has hosted the Prairie State Games, and the City Council has agreed to express interest in the 1998 Pan Am games for 15- and 16-year-olds.

"With the Pan Am games last year, talking to the businesses and the different restaurants, it was probably the best thing we ever did," Wilson said. "The Brazilian team last year in 3 1/2 hours in the Sports Authority spent \$22,000."

And, Wilson said, the World Baseball Championships should be a much bigger draw than the Pan Am games. For example, the teams from Japan and China bring large groups of followers with them, he said.

"A world tournament like this would draw lots of people in, especially with 15- and 16-year-olds," Wilson said. "Basically, it doesn't get any better than that in the world, and to have it in Fairview will be a big boon."

Mayor Gail Mitchell agreed. "I look for it to be a big, big plus for the city," he said.

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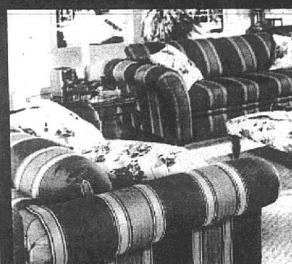
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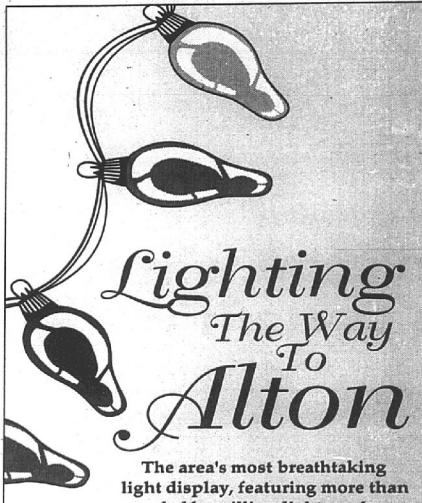
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Whip mayonnaise, dill, scallions and garlic. Spread one side of each slice of toast with the mixture. Top with pickle slices and turkey.

Beat eggs whites until stiff and fold in Swiss cheese, paprika and salt.

Spread egg white/cheese mixture evenly over top of

turkey.

Place in preheated broiler for 1 minute or until toping is puffed and golden.

Serves eight.

Stuffed Turkey-Broccoli Pockets

1 1/2 cups cooked turkey, cubed

1 cup broccoli
1 tsp. tarragon
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
2 cups heavy cream
4 oz. cream cheese
1/4 cup flour
1/2 cup butter
12 puff pastry sheets

Make a roux with the butter and flour, add heavy cream,

sherry, tarragon and salt. Cook until thick, then add the cream cheese, turkey and broccoli.

Cool.

Roll puff pastry and fill pocket with turkey mixture. Seal and glaze puff pastry pocket with an egg wash. Bake in a 350° oven for 15 minutes or until golden brown.

Serves 8-10.

"You can make some interesting things with turkey," she said.

"The other thing is cold salads."

One of those is her curried turkey salad.

Curried Turkey Salad

1 1/4 cups mayonnaise
1/4 cup plain yogurt

2 tsp. curry powder
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup chopped scallions
2 cups finely chopped celery
2 cups seedless red grapes
8 cups diced cooked turkey

breast

Whip mayonnaise, yogurt, curry, brown sugar and chutney. Add the mayonnaise ingredients, curried and chilis.

Serve on a bed of lettuce and garnish with toasted cashews.

Serves 12.

Van Meter said turkey is very versatile.

"You can substitute turkey for

any recipe that calls for chicken or turkey."

One time-saving technique also gives her turkey stock.

To decrease the roasting time for turkeys, she said restaurants will soak the turkey in large stock pots. For an 8-12 pound bird, she said to parboil a defrosted turkey for about 45 minutes and then put it into the oven with a foil tent for two hours. The foil tent should be removed for the last 45 minutes and discarded in the last half hour.

"Any time we boil out chicken or turkey or any stock with bones and meat in it I always save it," she said.

Van Meter said she adds mixed vegetables and reduces the stock by about three-fourths.

She said the stock can also be used for a number of things.

"I don't like to keep stuffing too long," she said. "I will keep it for a week or two. We do a chicken soup with balls of stuffing ball."

"We also do a breast of chicken at the restaurant with apricots and almonds," she said. "We add apricots and apples to the stuffing and stuff it in chicken breasts and serve it with a red pepper sauce."

"It's kind of neat," she added.

Potatoes are also saved.

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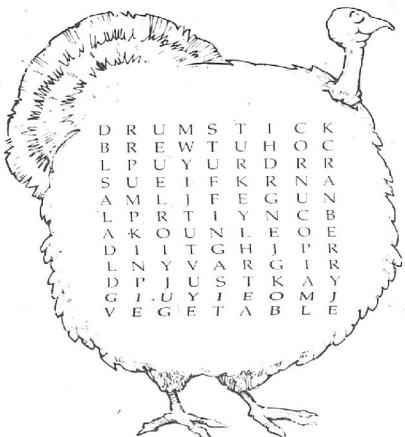
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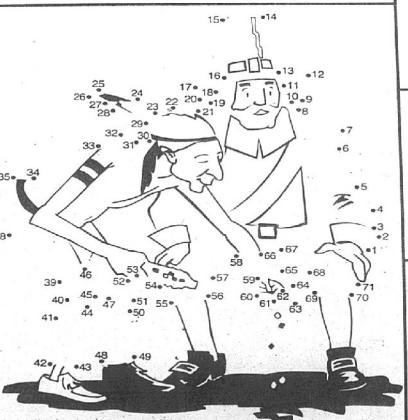
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Obituaries

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teur C.R. operator and a master story teller.

Survivors include one son, Donald H. Wickham of Hillsboro; two daughters, Jo Akeman of Granite City and Charlotte Hodge of Riverside, Calif.; three brothers, Jim Wickham of Tucson, Ariz., Gerald Wickham of Alton and Harold Wickham of St. Louis; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Pauline Wickham; son, Donald Ray; and Lucy (Lurton) Wickham.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 23, at Irwin Chapel, 3961 Maryville Road in Granite City, where services are at 10 a.m. Friday.

Graveside services and burial are at 2:30 p.m. Friday in Iberia Cemetery in Iberia, Mo.

Agnes Jacobs

Agnes (Bartlett) Jacobs, 72, of Fenton, Mo., formerly of Washington Park, died Sunday, Nov. 19, 1995. She was born Nov. 5, 1923, in East St. Louis, Ill. Jacobs had lived in Washington Park for 20 years; she was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Auxiliary in Arnold, Mo.

Survivors include her husband, August Jacobs; three daughters, Karen (Paul) Mooney of Fenton, Rusty Schank of Granite City and Peggy Munton of High Ridge, Mo.; two brothers, William "Jack" Bartlett Jr.

of Ava, Ill., and Frank Bartlett of Alton; four sisters, Ellen Newton and Francine King, both of Ava, Mary Dolores Rhyme of Alton and Peggy Rhyme of Cahokia; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Marie (Spain) Bartlett.

Services were held Wednesday at Keesey Mortuary Ltd. in Fairview Heights with the Rev. Walter Ekeland officiating. Burial was in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, and five grandchildren.

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He married Feb. 15, 1977; one son, Michael F. Mitchell of Cape Girardeau, Mo.; five daughters, Toni K. Mitchell of Ignacio, Colo., Lynda A. Pyles, Lisa M. Coleman and Patricia and Mary L. Adams of Troy; his mother, Vivian (White) Mitchell of Granite City; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Harry L. Mitchell.

Graveside services and burial were held Wednesday in Jefferson Cemetery in St. Louis County.

A memorial service was held Wednesday at Irwin Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Allen Ritter officiating.

Memorials are requested for the Hospice of Madison County.

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He was preceded in death by his wife, Pamela Sue Knight of Hartford, Tammy Lynn Schupbach of Dania and Donna Marie Schupbach of Granite City, Texas; four brothers, Milford Thomason of Dover, Freeman Thomason of St. Louis, Eugene Thomason of Granite City, Illinois, and Donie Ray Thomason of Granite City; seven sisters, Alene Robertson and Marcella Eastep, both of Granite City, Gatica Parish of Cape Girardeau, Mo., Mary V. Williams of Granite City, Calif., Sallie Newman of Union, Mo., and Nona Harris and Virginia Joiner, both of Dover, six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Allen Matthew Thomason and Lockette Marie (Fitzhugh) Thomason.

Services were held Wednesday at Mount View Presbyterian Church in Dover with the Rev. James Faison and the Rev. David Whitehead officiating. Burial was in Mount View Cemetery in Dover. Arrangements were handled by Anglin Funeral Home in Dover.

Local arrangements were handled by Irwin Chapel in Granite City.

City; one nephew; and three nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary (Aulenbrock) Hadaller; four brothers, Walter, Mathias, and five sisters, Anna Hadaller, Kathryn Cox, Frances Smith, Josephine Murray and Marie Hadaller.

Services were Tuesday at Mercer Mortuary in Granite City with the Rev. Scott Kroener officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Firing ranges to be opened

The Illinois State Police will open 17 agency firing ranges, including one in Collinsville, so deer hunters can "sight-in" their guns in a safe environment.

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We will also have firearms experts on hand to assist and answer any questions.

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Rosalia Hadaller

Rosalia C. Hadaller, 93, of Granite City, formerly of Effingham, died at 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, 1995, at her residence, following a year of illness. She was born Oct. 13, 1902, in Effingham and had been a resident of Granite City for 75 years.

Miss Hadaller was of the Protestant faith.

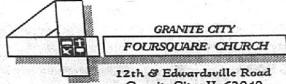
Survivors include one brother, Theodore Hadaller of Granite

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NEWS

Gambling revenue down at Alton Belle

Gambling revenue in October at the Alton Belle Casino was down about 16 percent from a year earlier.

The casino's adjusted gross receipts were \$6,646,962, compared to \$7,810,348 in October 1994, according to statistics released by the Illinois Gaming Board.

Alton Belle officials could not be reached for comment on the decline. However, one likely factor is that Missou-

ri casinos were not permitted to have slot machines last year. The number of admissions also declined, to 206,341 last month compared to 223,765 a year earlier and 216,226 in September. Average loss per passenger was \$32.75, October down from a year earlier but the same as in September.

The casino's revenue also was down about 6 percent from September.

Five other Illinois floating casinos also had revenue declines from September: the Casino Queen in East St. Louis, Casino Rock Island, the Silver Eagle in East Dubuque, Hollywood Casino in Aurora, and Playland Casino in Metropolis.

Revenue was up in October at the Par-A-Dice in East Peoria, the Empress and Harrah's casinos in Joliet and the Grand Victoria in Elgin.

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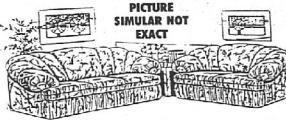
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Untested wrestling team begins new varsity season

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

The varsity line is set, and Granite City was to begin its ninth season under Mike Garland with a dual meet against O'Fallon on Tuesday. Garland has set in place his 10-man line, which will compete on the varsity level in the O'Fallon match.

"This lineup is largely untested, although some of the younger guys do have varsity experience," he said. "But a couple matches is a lot different than 50."

"But this is what they've been working towards, and hopefully they are as prepared as can be."

Preview

The lineup features seven seniors, three juniors and three sophomores.

One of those sophomores is 103-pounder Adam Donovan, who will man the Warriors' lowest weight class. John Kelly, the other sophomore, will wrestle at 112, while senior Bob Chaulsett will move up to

119 pounds.

Mike Glover returns for his junior year at 125, and Kevin Feigenbutz will wrestle his senior year at 132.

Jonas Janek, the other sophomore, is the choice for 135, and junior David Thompson will wrestle at 140.

FIVE OF THE FINAL six spots are seniors, and three of them are state qualifiers from a year ago.

Jeff Estrada returns to 145, and Joe Scott will wrestle at 152 pounds.

Jason Wilson, the other senior, is set to battle at 160, and John Venne will seek to return to state at 171.

Kelly Huckleberry is a junior newcomer who will wrestle at 183, and state qualifier Chris Janek returns at the heavyweight class.

In their preseason poll, the Amherst Warriors were the Warriors' ranked 14th nationally in their poll. Garland said it's nice to be preselected so highly in the preseason.

"The guys we've earned some respect over the years. It's nice to be ranked there, but it would be nicer to finish there."

Garland said he sees the potential on the mat, but there's way too much wrestling to be done to make any predictions.

"The competition has been there in the room for the last four years, but the guys will have to put up to themselves to perform up to the expectations of this program."

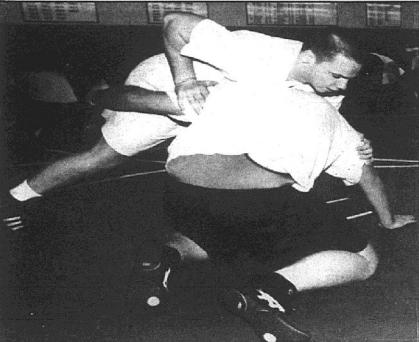
THE WARRIORS HAVE a combined 10-4 dual meet record over the past four years, and went a sparkling

25-0 last season before their sectionals were cut short by the IHSA. At the time, the Warriors were ranked first in the state but did not get to prove that on the wrestling mat. Granite City was 26-2 in 1993-94.



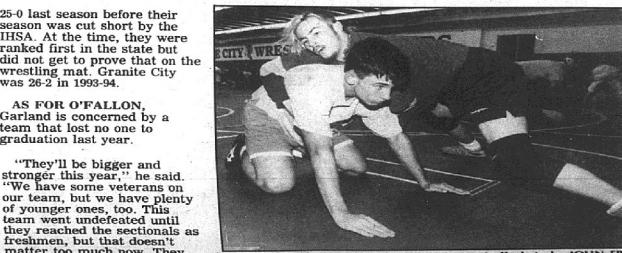
(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Warrior wrestling, returning lettermen are back row, from left, Kevin Feigenbutz, Jeff Estrada, Joe Scott, John Venne, John Selliers, Chris Janek. Kneeling, from left, Bobby Chaulsett, Mike Glover, John Kelly, Jason Wilson.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Above, John Selliers (top) practices with freshman heavyweight Ben Temple.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Jeff Estrada (top) and David Thompson practice.

Warriors ice opponents with 24-4 combined weekend score

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

The Granite City hockey Warriors ended a splendid weekend of play Saturday night with a workmanlike 8-1 win over St. Charles West.

The Warriors (3-0) were churning on all cylinders heading into Monday night's game against the St. Louis' John Burroughs. In their first three games, GCHS has outscored its opponents by a combined 24-4.

Saturday's win followed a 10-4 whitewash of Lutheran South on Friday night.

GCHS coach Dave Yurkovich was present for Friday's game, but not for Saturday's contest. Still, he was optimistic about his team's progress during the first three games.

"Everything went great over the weekend," he said. "We were pleasantly surprised."

These were not great teams that we were up against," he said. "It's like a team like that can give you trouble. Even though we won big both nights, we never lost our discipline or got selfish, and that's not always easy to do."

The Warriors' No. 1 line is clicking, to say the least.

Kevin Nenninger continues to be the hottest scorer on the Warriors' line, and that's saying something. In three games, Nenninger has Lemieux-like numbers of six goals and three assists for nine points.

Sophomore center Bobby Pritchard has four goals and

four assists, and senior Clint Phelps has solidified that line with three assists.

Center Mikal Guffey has scored the No. 3 line with four goals and a pair of assists. David Miskelley, Aarn Reeves and Aaron Reeves have all seen time on the wing.

Even the No. 3 line, consisting of Bobby Harris, Todd McQueen and Miskelley, have generated numerous chances so far this season.

As of right now, Yurkovich and assistant coach Will Connolly aren't about to touch the Pritchard line.

"When something's working that well, we don't want to mess with it," Connolly said. "Right now, at least, we're leaving them intact."

"But the second line is getting plenty of chances, and the third line is scoring some goals, too. Offensively, we're on the back line."

The defense is adding their share of points when asked to, but more importantly they are staying at home on the back line.

Chris Angle, back from a bad cold, got on the score-board Saturday night, and Jared Brown and Bobby Scott have played well defensively, and Travis Scroggins is trying to mend from a pair of sore knees.

Jim Conrad was the winning goalie Saturday night, and Tony Evans picked up the easy

win on Friday.

Evans is slated to start Monday against Burroughs.

Saturday, Guffey started a wild first period just 18 seconds into the game, as he fired a wrist shot past the St. Charles goal for a 1-0 lead. Reeves got the assist.

Loftus scored at the 12:23 mark, and Harris scored an unassisted goal at the 1:05 mark. After West scored their first goal, Guffey and Nenninger came back with goals a minute and a half apart, and it

was 5-1 after one period.

Angle scored the lone tally of the second period, assisted by Reeves and Miskelley. Pritchard and Harris added goals in the third.

At that point, the Warriors

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Sports shorts

Pepsi Indoor tourney
The Pepsi Cola Indoor Soccer and Basketball Tournament will be held Dec. 28-30, 1995 through Jan. 2, 1996 at the Concord Indoor Sports Complex in St. Louis County.

Two age brackets will be represented, in recreational and select levels. The tournament draws teams from the entire St. Louis metro area, including Illinois.

For more information, call John at 314-391-2227, Ron at 314-394-2029 or the Concord Sports Complex at 314-842-3153.

SportsLab at St. Louis
SportsLab, the world's first and only traveling interactive sports theme park, made its worldwide debut in St. Louis' Forest Park on Nov. 1 and will continue through Sunday, Nov. 26.

SportsLab is a 100,000-square-foot participatory sports complex that uses state-of-the-art technology to create a safe and non-competitive setting for guests to experience a vast assortment of sports.

Combining athletics and education, SportsLab includes activity areas for 15 different sports ranging from baseball,

football and basketball to hang gliding, rock climbing and bouldering. SportsLab also features informational exhibits, sports clinics and tips from professional coaches and athletes; and a 6,000-square-foot retail complex featuring a variety of merchandise.

SportsLab's hours of operation are from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

Tickets are \$17.50 for adults, \$12 for children ages 3 to 12, \$8 for children ages 3 to 5 and \$12 for seniors 55 and older.

Guests are encouraged to wear comfortable clothes and athletic shoes in order to fully participate in the SportsLab Experience.

Tickets are available at the SportsLab box office or from tickets@nyc.athena.com, Fax: 212-368-1200, Streetside Records and Schnucks Video Club. For group sales or to charge by phone, call (314) 241-3888.

Convenient free parking is available in the upper Muny lot in Forest Park, with a shuttle bus running continuously between the parking lot and the SportsLab site. For more information, call SportsLab at 1-800-888-7184.

Thanksgiving soccer tourney
Epiphany Sports Association is St. Louis' will hold its second tournament over Thanksgiving weekend for boys and girls CYC and recreational teams from kindergarten through sixth grade.

For an application or more information, call Tom Noser at (314) 647-0910.

Mariners tryouts
The Mariners baseball team is seeking players who will not have reached age 15 by July 1, 1996 for the 1996 baseball season. The Mariners plan to play at 20-30 games a schedule, as well as a number of tournaments.

For further information, call 288-3044.

Comets basketball
The St. Louis Comets girls' AAU basketball club will hold tryouts for girls born in 1985 and 1986. The tryouts are open to girls throughout the St. Louis area. For more information, call Rich at 314-357-2379 or Sue at 314-355-3590.

St. Louis Stars softball
The St. Louis Stars 18-under fastpitch softball team is seeking players for the 1996 season. Tickets are \$17.50 for adults, \$12 for children ages 3 to 12, \$8 for seniors 55 and older.

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Players should be interested in participating in a competitive select program.

The Stars are also looking for college-age players for its women's fastpitch team. For more information, call Hank at (314) 843-6333.

Mathews at baseball camp

The International Athletic Foundation will be holding a baseball camp Dec. 29 at two locations: The Ball Park in O'Fallon and Gateway Indoor Complex in St. Louis. The camp is for ages 6-12. The cost is \$125 and includes lunch each day, a camp T-shirt, a participation certificate and an autographed photo from St. Louis Cardinals pitcher T.J. Mathews.

Mathews, a Columbia native, will be a special instructor for two days at each site.

The winter camp is being followed by a camp at Easter from April 8-11, 1996 and then an eight-week camp in the summer running each week in June and July.

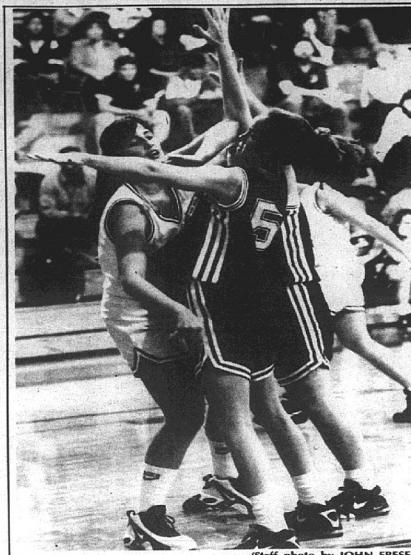
For more information, call Jim Turner at (314) 645-5496.

ASA softball leagues
Kirkwood (Mo.) Athletic Association will have ASA softball leagues in 1996 for girls fastpitch teams in the 6-U, 8-U, 10-U, 12-U, 14-U, 16-U and 18-U age groups.

A 12-game schedule will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays with a cost of \$600 per team and no fund raisers. Additionally, KAA will have three tournaments and each KAA league team will get a free entry into one of these tournaments.

For more information, call Don Lecker at (314) 576-5551.

Metro ASA meeting
The Metro St. Louis Amateur Softball Association will hold a Junior Olympic coaches/managers meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 4 at Lemmons



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Tapp dance — Granite City's Anna Tapp in action last week against Mascoutah. Coach Chuck Krause said that Tapp has shown marked improvement playing at center.

Restaurant, 5800 Gravois in St. Louis. The restaurant will have a kebab tournament for sixth-grade boys and girls and eighth-grade boys 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 8, 1995 and girls on Dec. 2-3. For more information, call Marty Seebach at (314) 644-1633.

Basketball tournament — Epiphany Sports Association in St. Louis will hold its second

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SPORTS

•Shootout

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Vashon; 7:30 p.m. Baton Rouge, La.; Glen Oaks (32-2) vs. St. Louis Cardinal Ritter (30-3) and 9 p.m. — Chicago Farragut (28-2) vs. DeSmet (22-4).

Reserved tickets priced at \$16 and \$13 can be purchased at participating schools, Curt Smith Sporting Goods, Granite City and The Edge. New locations, including Famous-Barr, Streetside Records, Schnucks Video Club, and Blue Note Sports Shops.

A total of 18 National Basketball Association first-round lottery picks are Shootout graduates.

FOOTNOTE: Recent references here to the "March Mad-

ness Encyclopedia" of Illinois High School basketball did not mean I'd slight the ladies.

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Tips on the correct method of
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There's nothing quite like decorating the Christmas tree. You probably have fond childhood memories of the family all pitching in and hanging lights, tinsel, ornaments and anything else that came to mind. It's downright fun, and done properly, will produce a magnificent-looking sight indeed.

Of course there's more to it than haphazardly putting lights here and there. Here are a few pointers on how to place lights correctly, and create a tree you'll be proud of.

Lights are the main attraction in any tree. And Frank's has a dazzling variety of lighting colors, styles and sizes sure to bring joy to any holiday home. Choose the color and light style that complements your ornaments.

Your first step is to run an extension cord from the outlet to the tree trunk. Plug the first set of lights into the cord and take the light set to the top of the tree.

Start with the first bulb at the top and wrap the cord around each branch, placing lights as you work around and downward. Try to place the same number of lights on each branch. Using E-Z clips makes it easy to secure lights to branches. Starting at the top makes it easier to have an abundance of lights left on the last string. There's more room to put 'em at the bottom of the tree.

Plug in the next set and continue from the inside of the tree branch to the outside. Try to keep the connections between strings deep inside the tree where they'll be less noticeable. The light string cords can be hidden as well as possible by nesting them in the needles.

Try not to hang bulbs in mid-air between branches. Sometimes this can be virtually impossible to avoid, but try to keep it to a minimum.

It's easy to get carried away when attaching strings of lights, but remember: Never exceed the recommended number of strings you can attach together. If

you need additional lights, get another extension cord. And never overload an outlet. You may need to use an additional outlet or two, if they're on separate circuits, so much the better.

How many lights does it take? There definitely isn't a standard answer, but following is a general guideline. The other chart tells you the recommended maximum number of strings that can be connected together.

Tree Height	No. of In Feet	Min. Lights
2	35 to 50	
3	70 to 100	
4	100 to 140	
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Briefly

SISL Senior Showcase

Southern Illinois Soccer League is looking for volunteers to participate in the 1996 season. No exact date has not been chosen, but it will be in December.

The program is offered to senior boys and junior/senior girls soccer players who are interested in playing soccer at the collegiate level. Interested people should send their name, address, and phone number to SISL Senior and Collegiate, P.O. Box 366, Coalville, IL 62234.

Roller hockey leagues Fun Spot Skating Center in Belleville is offering roller hockey leagues for boys and girls in kindergarten through eighth grade. The \$45 fee includes two one-hour practices, six games, referees and insurance. There is no checking and equal playing time is guaranteed. Call 234-4902.

•Economy

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and she performed wonderfully all season.

McEwan, a 1994 graduate of GCHS, also placed fourth at state in her senior year with the Lady Warriors.

FLO VALLEY finished 16-5-0 on the season. Economy said the atmosphere was much better on this year's squad, in which another local athlete, Alison Jones of Edwardsville, is a teammate of hers.

"I would say just about everybody improved a lot during the season. We had a lot more teamwork this year, and that's the biggest reason we did so much better."

"Some people didn't get along last year, but we got to know each other really well and it seemed to help us play better as a team."

Moraine College (N.Y.) eventually won the national championship, and Champlain of Vermont were second.

ECONOMY PLAYED the

entire season as the only goalkeeper on the Flo Valley team. Only 14 players in all were on the roster.

She said she's not sure what her plans are now, although she has thought about attending a four-year school, preferably somewhere closer by. She said she would like to continue her studies in criminal justice.

"They have a good program at Flo Valley, and hopefully it will lead to a career in law enforcement," she said.

She said she had a lot of people to thank for her success, but in narrowing that list down she looked back to her days as a teenager playing select soccer in the Granite City area.

I would say that Terry Dutko and Jennifer Dutko, along with Vince Debevc, my select coaches, had the biggest influence on me and they kept me in school, and never gave any pressure on me to perform. It allowed me to play at 100 percent of my capabilities."

Economy said she began her soccer career at the age of 5 or 6 in the Madison County League.

ers, and is what we accomplished says a lot about the character on this team."

East Side played a long time since Sept. 30, when long-time coach Bob Shannon resigned and the Flyers lost to Summer to 10-2. And in a surprise move, Woodward Bar, the large school in Missouri, and the Flyers were 0-3 and lost without a compass.

But Jones got his troops organized, and the Flyers won their first consecutive wins, including a thrilling gut-check two Saturdays ago against Edwardsville.

"I beat Edwardsville, we proved that East Side was back," said Jones. "That was a great football team, but I'm not sure even they could have handled this Mt. Carmel team today. Even after we were up, we knew what was coming. They are a big, strong machine."

"We're just very happy to be playing in the state championship game," Lentz said of the Flyers, who won one 6A and four 5A titles under their veteran coach. "This was a big test for us today (against East Side), and we proved we belong in the title game."

•Hockey

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struck again, this time Pritchard, and 20 seconds after that, Pritchard scored again.

The Warriors scored three goals on a single shift.

"They were just moving the puck so well," Yurkovich said.

"It caused a lot of chaos in their end."

Nemmingen quickly dispelled any doubts about his three-goal night with a third-period power-play goal from Jared Brown at the 12:04 mark of the second. Bobby Scott joined in the fun, and another goal came only less than four minutes later on a feed from Brian Johnson; and David Miskay notched a power play goal four minutes later from Scott and Johnson.

Guffey, Johnson and Pritchard — his third of the night — closed out the scoring for the Warriors in the third.

Yurkovich said he was more pleased with the way the Warriors acted once they had the big lead.

"It's tough to judge how well you're playing against a team like this, but we were very happy. It's easy to get selfish, and there was none of that at all. We really did a lot of things we've been working on in practice. We pressured down low and moved the puck back to the point for quality shots."

"Sometimes you can get over confident, and we didn't do that either. We played a good, team game."

•Weekend

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still not sure yet how good a team we are."

"We're going to be playing some very good teams down the road, so we need to see what we have and what we need to do. We're looking for a challenge at this point."

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Corrections, additions and deletions of information are encouraged, and new entries may be added at anytime by calling the newsroom at 656-2063.

This calendar runs in every Wednesday's Journal.

Wednesday, Nov. 22

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 53 will offer a service officer from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Tri-City Veterans Home, 1203 W. 14th and 19th St., in Granite City. For more information, call 656-2063.

Pulmonary Support Group, for persons with diagnosed lung conditions, 11 a.m. to noon at Pneumonics, 2116 Edison, Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3019.

Singles Connection will hold a "Singles Night Out" with Bob Cuban at the Frontenac Inn, 100 E. Main St., in Granite City. The date starts at 6:30 p.m. Call Felix at 656-2063 for more information.

Al-Anon: 7:15 p.m. Gateway Foundation, 600 W. Lincoln

Ave., Caseyville. Call 463-2429 for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2106 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., St. Elizabeth School's Noah's Ark Day Care, Pontoon Road, Granite City. The center is closed except for the last Wednesday of the month.

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Parents Anonymous Group meets 6 to 8 p.m. For information on parenting, call 656-2714.

Stress Management Class, 7 to 8 p.m. at Mental Health Services, 50 Northgate Industrial Drive, Granite City. For people who want to know what causes stress, how it affects their lives, and what they can do about it. For more information, call Elaine Landolt, 462-2714.

Al-Anon meets at 8 p.m. in the Miloski Room in the basement of Elizabeth Medical Center. Call 463-2429 for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous, noon and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800)

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Singles Connection will hold a "Singles Night Out" at 6:30 p.m. at Rusty's, 1201 N. Main St. in Edwardsville. Call Joe at 656-8073 for more information.

Thursday, Nov. 23

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, 1 (800) 307-6600.

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Madison Community Action Group, meets at 7 p.m. For more information call Dan at 452-2338 or Diane at 876-1360.

Saturday, Nov. 25

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Quad City Youth Fellowship, 2257 Cleveland, 7 p.m., 931-3480 or 877-4848.

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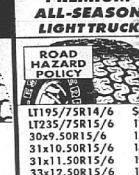
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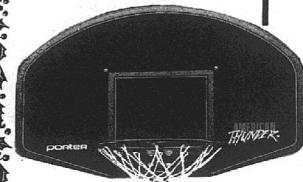
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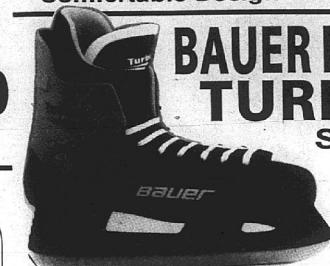
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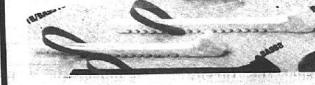


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Turkey turns versatile after big feast

For real turkey lovers, Thanksgiving is a happy day, followed by leftover heaven.

But for the rest, after Thanksgiving dinner is over, the prospects are dim for the next several days — or weeks.

The bird is still there in fact, it's hardly been dent, and all you can see is a long line of turkey sandwiches, turkey hash, and turkey with noodles.

But with a little imagination that dearly departed gobble can be turned into a wide variety of different meals.

Oliver Sommer, well-known chef and instructor in the Hospitality and Food Management program at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus, said those leftovers can be used "in a lot of different things."

Even the turkey sandwich can be improved on.

"What you can do is take an English muffin, cut it in half, and add turkey and blue cheese," he said.

The sandwich is then put in a broiler and served open faced.

The most important thing is to properly handle the leftovers.

"Immediately after dinner is over, the turkey should be refrigerated because all poultry is very

perishable," he said.

The meat should be separated from the bones, which can be cooked down for turkey stock.

"You can use that in a lot of different things," he added.

For turkey soup, Sommer sautes onions and celery in butter until they are transparent, then adds stock, left over turkey gravy, meat and whatever else is handy.

His favorite Thanksgiving leftover recipe is turkey tetrazzini.

"This normally tastes better than the roast turkey," he said.

TURKEY TETRAZZINI

2-3 cups shredded or diced turkey
1/2 lb. macaroni
1/2 cup sliced almonds
3/4 lb. sliced mushrooms
3 tbsp. dry white wine
3 tbsp. butter
2 cups flour
2 cups turkey broth
1 cup whipping cream

Prepare the macaroni. When it is cooked, add the

In another saucepan, saute the mushrooms in butter, adding the white wine about halfway through.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Chef instructor Oliver Sommer at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus prepares some food with a few of his students. Sommer is at left. Joining him are Dorell Clearlock, Chris Knous, administrator Michael Hayes, in back, Brenda Johnson and James Beaver.

To make the sauce, melt the butter and add flour, letting it cook for several minutes. Then add the turkey broth, and cook until the mixture is slightly thickened.

Season to taste, then stir in the whipping cream. Combine the turkey, mushrooms and sauce in a dish,

garnish with Parmesan cheese, and bake in a 375 degree oven for 15-20 minutes. Or until bubbly brown.

Sommer said dressing

should not be cooked inside the turkey, because the heat does not permeate the bird, and "you have a chance of making some

Dressing can also be reheated and used. Again, it should be refrigerated as soon as possible after dinner.

Sommer also said dress-

ing for those making oyster dressing, he recommended sauteing the oysters beforehand so they will keep their shape and not

disintegrate.

Another of Sommer's favorite turkey recipes is turkey croquettes.

TURKEY CROQUETTES

White sauce
2 egg yolks
2 cups strained turkey
2 tsp. grated onions
2 tbsp. chopped fresh parsley
1 tsp. Worcester sauce
1/2 tsp. sherry wine
1/2 tsp. curry powder

First prepare the white sauce by melting three tablespoons of butter and adding one-third cup of flour and one cup of milk.

Stir until slightly thick, then remove from the heat and whip in the two egg yolks.

Add the remaining ingredients, then shape into croquettes.

Roll the croquettes in bread crumbs and deep fry until brown.

The croquettes can be served with the sauce of your choice, including picante salsa or leftover turkey gravy.

By Scott Cousins



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Ruthie Conway serves turkey tetrazzini to, from left, Nancy Knapp, Tina Conway and Christina Conway

Woman means business with culinary talent

Ruthie Conway has always enjoyed baking. But it was only after her children had grown and moved out that she discovered her culinary talent was a good business idea.

When her adult children would call from work and ask what I was cooking for dinner. They would ask if I could make a little extra and (if they could) pick it up," she said. "I thought there must be more working adults who needed and wanted a home-cooked meal who were probably tired of fast-food places. That's how we started."

That was 15 months ago, and her idea has proven to be a hit.

Now, Conway's Sugar 'n' Spice Catering and Gram-

ma's Kitchen at 1278 Vandalia St. offers catering services for a party of hundreds or carry-out lunches, dinners and desserts for families.

Her biggest concern these days she said is expanding while keeping her philosophy about wholesome food — food cooked with no additives, preservatives or artificial colorings and flavorings.

The holidays for Conway, as might be expected, have always included a spread — turkey, dressing and homemade pies.

Last year, Sugar 'n' Spice offered a Thanksgiving dinner. But this year, this mother of five and grandmother of nine, along with her husband, Marv, will be

catered to by her own children.

"I have a son in Texas coming in for Thanksgiving this year," she said. "My children will be preparing and serving dinner. I'll just sit, enjoy a glass of wine and not say a word."

But while she's taking the day off, Conway shares her roasting techniques with other cooks.

Her first and most important advice she offers for anyone preparing a Thanksgiving meal is proper care of the turkey.

"It seems so mundane, but it's so important — to use the proper thawing technique. A frozen turkey needs to be thawed in the refrigerator. I know people

(See WOMAN, Page 2C)

School holiday meal bird of different feather

Everyone who cooks a meal for Thanksgiving knows it's hard work. But just imagine how were in Vicki Huffman shoes.

Huffman, the head cook at St. Albert Great School in Fairview Heights, recently prepared a holiday feast for the school's 221 students.

In addition to preparing seven, 10-pound turkeys, one for the students, Huffman cooked 100 gallons of corn, made dressing, mashed potatoes, and baked dinner rolls and 15 sweet potato pies.

"I wouldn't recommend others to do this if they didn't have a lot of time and patience," she said.

But Huffman was up to the task. Before coming to St. Albert the Great three years ago, she cooked for the Mascoutah School Dis-

trict for two years.

Huffman also credits her mom for some of her ability.

"She taught me how to cook," she said.

Huffman said she believes the key to preparing a large meal is organization. For instance, she made the turkeys the day before the school's feast.

She made the pies, mashed potatoes, dressing and corn just a few hours before the meal was served.

Because of time constraints, she prepared instant mashed potatoes. The 100 servings comprised about six gallons.

Huffman mixed eggs with the dressing to keep it moist.

"My mom taught me that," she said.

(See MEAL, Page 2C)



(Staff photo by MARK HODAPP)

Today's Food

Woman

Continued from page 1C. who leave it on the counter, and that's extremely dangerous," she said. "The top surface warms up just the right temperature for bacteria."

Thawing in water has its risks, too, she said.

"The only way, the safest way, is in the refrigerator. Then you know it's safe," Conway said.

Her recipe for a perfectly roasted turkey includes the following steps:

1. Thaw completely. Use thawing time, depending on the size, as suggested on the label.

2. After washing, wash thoroughly. Remove giblets.

3. Make a mixture of one teaspoon of salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon pepper, and one teaspoon of sage. Rub the interior cavity of the turkey.

4. Make a mixture of about $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter, one teaspoon of salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon of pepper, one teaspoon of sage and one teaspoon of thyme. Base the turkey.

5. Cover with an aluminum tent and bake at 350 degrees for about 30 min-

utes per pound. Continue basting the turkey with the juice.

6. During the last half hour, remove the tent cover and baste.

Once the holiday meal is complete, what can you do with the leftover turkey? Conway has an answer for that, too.

TURKEY TETRazzini

4 cups bite-size chunks of cut-up left over turkey
1 pound linguini
noodles, cooked and
drained
1/2 pound mushrooms, wiped
clean, sliced and
sauteed in butter
1 cup fresh chicken stock
1 stick butter or
margarine
3/4 cup flour
3 cups whole milk
3/4 cup sauterne wine
1/2 teaspoon salt
teaspoon pepper

To make sauce, melt butter in heavy saucepan over moderate heat, blend in the flour with a wire whisk. Add the chicken stock and remaining sauce ingredients and cook until thick.

Combine the pasta, sauce and mushrooms. Place in a buttered, shallow three-quart casserole dish. Top with $\frac{3}{4}$ cup fine bread crumbs and $\frac{3}{4}$ cup grated parmesan, and bake in a preheated oven at 350 degrees for 30 to 40 minutes until hot and bubbly.

Serve with a simple tossed salad, hot crispy French bread and a glass of wine. Enjoy.

Other ideas for leftover turkey:

Grind it up, add some finely chopped pickles and celery, a little mayonnaise and make turkey salad sandwiches.

Add sliced turkey to a medium white sauce and serve over hot biscuits.

Cut into strips and add to a tossed salad for a very hearty lunch.

or margarine. Mix lightly until well blended.

Spread 5 pounds 7 oz (3 3/4 qt) of stuffing evenly into each steampot pan (12" by 20" by 2 1/2"), which has been lightly greased. For 50 servings, use two steampot pans. For 100 servings, use four steampot pans.

Bake until lightly browned: Conventional oven: 350 degrees for 30 to 40 minutes. Convection oven: 300 degrees for 20 to 30 minutes.

BREAD STUFFING

6 gallons of bread
cubes, soft
1 qt. and 3 1/2 cups fresh
celery, chopped
3/4 oz. dehydrated onions

Combine bread cubes, celery, onions, raisins (optional), poultry, seasoning, pepper, garlic powder, thyme (optional) and butter

planning holiday gift treats. A dozen cookie recipes are available, but that is not the end of the ideas. Flavored popcorn, jellies from sun-dried produce, marmalade, dried relishes, fresh seasonal fruits and cranberries, spiced nut mixes, quick breads and homemade beverage mixes head a long line of possibilities.

Packed attractively in glass jars and bedecked

with ribbons, most of them can be made for \$2 or less each.

Think about safety as well when planning to give food. Shelf-stable dry mixes, quick breads and quick breads usually are safe and keep well. Understand and follow up-to-date recipes from reliable sources, like University Extension, Ball or Kerr, if intending to give home-canned gift items.

Always be sure the recipi-

Blue Ribbon Cook

Gingersnaps a winner with oats, molasses

Leora Jones, Troy, Ill., is the winner of this week's recipe contest for Oatmeal Gingersnaps. She wins a prize of dinner certificates at the Palace House Co.

The picture-perfect spicy cookie mixes quickly. The soft and chewy results present a new angle for the traditional gingersnap flavor.

Removing the cookies as directed to cool on racks keeps them from overbaking. They are the Jones family's favorite.

Recipes for the Drink and Dip Recipe Contest will be accepted through Nov. 30 for consideration as winner each of the four Wednesdays in December. Recipes for beverages and dips can be in the holiday mode.

Send one recipe per household to: Drink and Dip Recipe Contest, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

Type or print the recipe legibly on one side of the paper. Include name, address and telephone number.

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup molasses
1 egg
1 1/2 cups flour
1 cup sugar
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup uncooked oats
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. ginger
1/2 tsp. cloves
1/4 tsp. salt

Additional sugar
Preheat oven to 375°. Grease cookie sheets.

Stir together shortening, molasses and egg. Beat well, using mixer, 2 minutes.

Combine flour, sugar, cloves and salt. Mix with shortening mixture until well combined.

Form into 1-inch balls. Roll in sugar. Place 2 inches apart on prepared cookie sheets. Bake in preheated oven 8 to 10 minutes.

Let stand 1 minute, before removing to rack to cool.

OATMEAL GINGERSNAPS

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup shortening

Recipe

TANGY FAT-FREE DRESSING

2 tbsp. vinegar

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup water
1 pouch liquid fruit pectin
1 envelope garlic and
herbs, Italian, mild

Italian or zesty Italian
salad dressing mix

Mix vinegar and water in
cruet or jar with tight lid.

Add salad dressing mix.
Cover. Shake vigorously
until well blended.

Add fruit pectin. Cover.
Shake again until well
blended.

Makes 1 cup or eight
(2-tablespoon) servings; 10
calories, no fat.

Meal

Continued from page 1C. Huffman learned parts of her job by experimentation. For instance, to make 15 sweet potato pies, she found out it takes approximately seven pounds of all-purpose flour.

Huffman said she does not plan to cook a Thanksgiving dinner for her family this year.

"We will be going to my mother's house," she said. "She knows what I go through every day."

Story by Mark Hodapp.

Smart cookies mix up low-cost kitchen gifts

A heaping measure of good taste that is easy on the wallet and spiced with a personal touch describes an ideal Christmas gift.

That probably is why homemade treats are a popular way to say "happy holidays" to co-workers, teachers, friends and family.

Last year's recipients even may be hopeful the gift will become a taste tradition.

Think creatively when

planning holiday gift treats. A dozen cookie recipes are available, but that is not the end of the ideas. Flavored popcorn, jellies from sun-dried produce, marmalade and dried relishes, fresh seasonal fruits and cranberries, spiced nut mixes, quick breads and homemade beverage mixes head a long line of possibilities.

Baked until lightly browned: Conventional oven: 350 degrees for 30 to 40 minutes. Convection oven: 300 degrees for 20 to 30 minutes.

With ribbons, most of them can be made for \$2 or less each.

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Always be sure the recipi-

ent of a perishable item — who must be home when the gift is delivered — knows refrigeration is required and how long the gift will keep.

The coffee mix is from University Extension's book, EC949 "Pantry Mixes."

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blended.

Makes 1 cup or eight
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For one serving: Stir 1
tablespoon coffee mix with
3/4 cup boiling water.

Makes enough mix for
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Todays' Food

Updated Swiss steak exudes glorious aroma

The symbol of those dishes Mom and Grandma used to make is the tantalizing aroma that fills the house before dinner.

With today's quick cooking schedule, those aromas are a desire to taste. Take a dish from the oven. Like Swiss Steak Piperade, that requires a little time but no attention on the weekend for that same effect.

Beef round steak is a less tender cut, so it needs to cook slowly under cover until it is tender. Mom would say the cooking process cannot be rushed and boiling toughens the beef, so relax, brown the beef, season it and simmer it tightly covered in the oven until tender.

Piperade, a blend of tomatoes and sweet bell peppers, adds color and flavor to this updated classic. Rice or pasta and a green vegetable are simple accompaniments.

Round steak is an economical cut. This recipe makes enough to entice friends with a special meal

that is not expensive. Beef cuts with "round" in the name are among the leanest choices in the meat case.

SWISS STEAK PIPERADE

1 1/4 lb. boneless beef round steak, cut 3/4 inch thick

1 tbsp. oil

3/4 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. leaf thyme

1/4 tsp. pepper

1 large onion, chopped

1 to 2 medium jalapeno

peppers, sliced 1/8 inch

thick

1/4 cup water

4 medium tomatoes, chopped

1/2 green bell pepper, cut in

1 inch pieces

1/2 yellow bell pepper, cut

in 1 inch pieces

3 cups cooked rice or

pasta

1 tbsp. chopped fresh

parsley

Preheat oven to 325°.

In large ovenproof skillet

or Dutch oven, heat oil over high heat until hot. Brown beef on both sides. Pour off any drippings.

Season steak with salt, thyme and pepper. Top with onion and jalapeno pepper.

Add water. Cover tightly. Simmer in preheated oven 45 minutes.

Add tomato and bell pepper.

Cook, covered, 30 minutes longer or until beef and vegetables are tender. Remove beef to warm platter.

On stovetop, cook sauce over high heat, stirring frequently, 8 to 10 minutes until reduced and slightly thickened.

Trim fat from steak. Cut meat in serving-size pieces. Return to sauce mixture.

Serve over rice or pasta. Garnish with parsley.

Makes 6 servings; 352 calories, 29 g protein, 37 g carbohydrate, 9 g fat, 332 mg sodium and 66 mg cholesterol each.



A savory blend of tomato and bell pepper adds flavor to an updated version of classic Swiss steak.

Party a-plenty comes from ease of prepared foods

Baked ham and all the trimmings are easy to put on a holiday table when the ingredients are cooked and ready—or almost ready—to serve from a restaurant or deli, according to Boston Market, a growing restaurant and food service retailer in town.

At a cook or non-cook event to be is assemble the pieces and the puzzle is complete with baked ham—Boston Market offers what it calls "hearth-honey ham" in banquet amounts.

For instance, microwave 1 1/2 cups cranberry relish, 1/2 cup maple syrup and 1 teaspoon finely grated orange zest on high power 1 minute to serve over waffles, pancakes, French

toast, hot breakfast cereal or for dessert over ice cream, angel food cake or cinnamon-flavored apples.

On the appetizer side, a festive spinach dip comes from slicing the top off a round loaf of sourdough or Hawaiian bread, and pulling out the bread in chunks. Spoon fresh hot creamed spinach into the center and serve with the reserved bread, fresh vegetables or cubed cornbread, also available already prepared.

For stuffed mushroom caps, remove stems from 6 mushrooms and fill each cap with 2 to 3 tablespoons prepared stuffing. Bake them in 375° oven 20 to 30 minutes. Sprinkle with grat-

ed parmesan cheese before serving.

If a food gift is in order, place a piece, half or whole boneless ham in a basket with a variety of dried beans and seasonings to start a steamy soup or stew, and add a loaf of bread and bottle of wine.

Banquet-size side dishes and the ham can be ordered by calling or visiting a new Boston Market location at 12710 Olive Blvd., 10th floor, St. Louis 63136. Zumbel Road or 1615 Juniper Road. In December stores at 5905 S. Lindbergh Blvd. and 6535 N. Illinois are expected to open.

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FAMILY

Births

SIMPSON

Jennifer Simpson of Pontoon Beach has announced the birth of her first child, a daughter. Kristin Michelle was born at 9:05 p.m. Aug. 23, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson Jr. of Granite City.

Repka

Heather Repka of St. Jacob has announced the birth of her first child, a son.

Quentin Robert was born at 9:37 p.m. Aug. 25, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 6 pounds, 10 1/2 ounces.

His maternal grandparents

are Robert and Betty Repka of St. Jacob.

Storr

Kevin and Pacharee Storr of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Addison Paige was born at 2:33 p.m. Aug. 25, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 7 1/2 pounds.

Her maternal grandparents are William and Joyce Sternberg of Collinsville and Gary and Sonja Hines of Smithton.

Cigliana

Joe and Helen Cigliana of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Hannah Marie was born at

2:36 p.m. Aug. 25, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Tammy Stauffer of Marine. The paternal grandparents are Joe Cigliana of Glen Carbon and the late Anita Cigliana.

Chappell

Jerry and Karen Chappell of Staunton have announced the birth of their third child, a son.

Joseph Thomas was born Aug. 2, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 8 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces.

His maternal grandparents

are Jim Cavanaugh and Jack Mitevich, both of Granite City, and the late Cheryl Mitevich.

The paternal grandparents are Jerry Chappell Sr. of Beeson, Ill., and the late Barbara Turnbough.

Joseph joins Jonathan, 6, and Jordan, 5.

Taylor

Brad and Terrie Taylor of Collinsville have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Alyssa Lynn was born at 5:16 a.m. Aug. 2, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents

are Jim Cavanaugh and Jack Mitevich, both of Granite City, and the late Cheryl Mitevich.

Her maternal grandparents

are Kay and Chuck Ashburn of Collinsville. The paternal grandparents are Lana and Terry Taylor of Glen Carbon.

Goetter

Ronnie and Jeannette Goetter of Collinsville have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Kathryn Paige was born at 4:43 a.m. Aug. 4, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

His maternal grandparents

are Roland and Betty Malan of Highland. The paternal grandparents are Gene and Athleta Stank of Troy.

Austin joins Dylan 3 1/2.

Stanek

Greg and Teresa Stanek of Highland have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Austin Jacob was born at 4:43 a.m. Aug. 8, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

His maternal grandparents

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Births

Connor Mullen

Garrison and Molly Kate Mullen of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Connor Patrick Mullen was born at 2 a.m. Sept. 22, 1995, at Lutheran Hospital in St. Louis and weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Kathie S. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams, all of Madison at 451-6222.

Granite City. Paternal grandparents are B.G. and Orlin Mullen of Chester, Md.

Benjamin Hurt

Roland D. and Janet L. Hurt of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Benjamin Wesley Hurt was born at 4:28 a.m. Oct. 12, 1995, at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis and weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are

Irma Wyatt of Berkley, Mo. Paternal grandparents are Herman and Martha Hurt of Granite City.

Bethany joins Daniel Wayne Hurt and Timothy William Hurt.

Kyle Antonovich

Michael Antonovich Jr. and Jennifer E. Antonovich of Madison have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Kyle Edward Antonovich was born at 4:46 p.m. Oct. 19, 1995, at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis and weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Christopher and Diane Antonovich of Madison. Paternal grandparents are Mike and Carolyn Antonovich of Granite City.

Kyle joins Michael Aaron Antonovich, 5.

Elias Rushing

John Rushing and Ellen Stimson, both of Edwardsville, have announced the birth of a son.

Elias Winston Rushing was born at 10:32 a.m. Nov. 4, 1995, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis and

weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

Maternal grandmother is Lorraine Fogle of Granite City. Paternal grandmother is Dorothy Strand of Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.

His great-grandmother is Margaret Rimarchik of Granite City.

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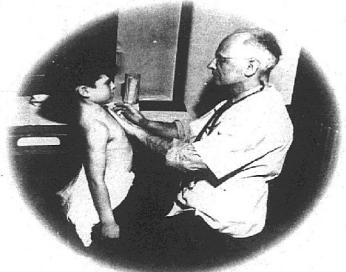
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FAMILY

Births

Spanberger

Joseph and Christina Spanberger of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Chad Christopher Spanberger was born at 3:57 p.m. Nov. 11, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, and weighed 9 pounds, 11 ounces.

The mother is the former Christina Kessler. Maternal grandparents are Claude and Carol Kessler of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Ed Spanberger and Claudette Huebner, both

of Granite City. Chad joins Cody, 2.

Needham

Jamie and Stacy Needham of Joliet have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Jordan Taylor Needham was born at 4:43 a.m. Nov. 4, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces.

The mother is the former Stacy Pyles.

Maternal grandparents are Delbert and Lynda Pyles of Granite City. Paternal grand-

parents are Jim and Shari Needham of Granite City.

Walker

Charles Walker Jr. and Crystal Andersen, both of Granite City, have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Dalton Grey Walker was born Nov. 6, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces.

The mother is the former Connie Wethy.

Maternal grandparents are Christopher and Rhonda Andersen of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Chuck and Phyllis Walker of

Granite City.

Jerry and Connie Hall of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Tabitha Elizabeth Hall was born at 11:15 p.m. Nov. 10, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces.

The mother is the former Connie Wethy.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wethy of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Butler

of Granite City.

Tabitha joins Jerry A. Hall, 6.

Bell

Lynese S. Bell of Madison has announced the birth of her first child, a son.

Martell JeVontae Bell was born at 8:57 p.m. Nov. 10, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces.

His grandparents are Anthony Bell and Georgia Wallace, both of Madison.

Stagner

James "Monty" and Peggy Ann Stagner of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Paisley Ann Stagner was born at 11:30 p.m. Nov. 10, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 8 pounds.

The mother is the former Peggy Vizer.

His grandparents are Rose Marie Vizer of Granite City and the late Joseph O. Vizer. Paternal grandparents are James L. and Alice D. Stagner of Granite City.

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Inflation in moderation

Economists dismiss inflation theories

By Roger McGrath
Correspondent

The adage "moderation in all things" has been taken to heart by some economists and politicians.

The argument that moderate inflation leads to a strong economy and improved quality of life. And that it is less costly to live with moderate inflation than to eliminate inflation.

Not so, counter economists Alan Marty and Daniel Thornton. Their examination of the arguments supporting a moderate-inflation policy "finds them to be lacking theoretically and, in some instances, empirically."

Indeed, the economists argue, moderate theories assume that consumers, investors and businesses will not act in an economically sound manner.

The debate over inflation policy is likely to heat up. An proposal before Congress would require the Federal Reserve Board to pursue a stable-price, or zero-inflation, policy.

Moderate-inflation forces maintain that moderate inflation enhances economic stability, increases output per worker, increases the efficiency of wage adjustments and enhances monetary policy.

Marty and Thornton, writing in the current issue of *Review*, published by the Federal

Reserve Bank of St. Louis, note that while the moderate-inflation arguments "lack explicit theoretical foundations, this has not prevented them from achieving an intellectual status among some economists and policymakers."

Their article dissects the moderate-inflation arguments and finds each lacking theoretical and real-world support. Marty is a professor of economics at City University of New York. Thornton is an economist at the St. Louis Fed.

The first problem with the moderate-inflation position is the definition of "moderate," they say.

"Some might consider moderate inflation to be 2 percent," Marty and Thornton say. "For others, the rate under 5 percent would be moderate. Still others might deem anything less than double-digit inflation moderate."

The moderate-inflation camp claims that higher inflation actually boosts capital formation and encourages businesses to invest in more productive plants and equipment, thus leading to higher output per worker.

That flies in the face of empirical, or real-world, evidence, the two economists say.

"The weight of evidence is that inflation discourages capital accumulation," they say.

Change in Medicare premium expected in 1996

By Bill Hunot

Debate about Medicare has inflamed Washington, D.C. Nobody knows what long-term changes will result from that debate, but we do know there will be an increase in the Medicare premium in 1996. Or at least.

Medicare administrators announced recently the monthly premium for Part B decreased from \$46.10 per month to \$42.50 per month. However, Congress is reviewing the premium, and most observers expect legislators to increase it.

For example, in 1996 and 1997, the Medicare premium averaged \$46 per month per beneficiary, and the premium was \$38 per month. All Medicare beneficiaries — even the most affluent — benefit from this subsidy.

Part B, also known as Medical Insurance, helps pay for doctor bills, outpatient hospital care and durable medical equipment.

A recent decline in the Part B premium occurred in 1990 as a result of the repeal of the Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act of 1988.

The repeal eliminated the Medicare coverage of prescrip-

tion drugs that had been scheduled for 1991. Because of the resulting cut in lower Part B expenditures, the premium fell from \$31.90 to \$28.60 per month.

A little historical perspective is needed to understand the reality about the 1996 premium.

The original 1965 Medicare legislation provided that one-half of the cost of Part B would be paid by beneficiaries. The other half would be subsidized by the government's general revenues.

For example, in 1966 and 1967, the Medicare premium averaged \$46 per month per beneficiary, and the premium was \$38 per month. All Medicare beneficiaries — even the most affluent — benefit from this subsidy.

When Social Security beneficiaries began receiving automatic cost-of-living adjustments, limited premium increases to no more than the rate of increase in Social Security benefits.

Since the cost of health care

of the economy, the federal government's subsidy of Part B grew rapidly. By 1980, the premium was meeting only 22 percent of the cost of Part B.

In 1984, Congress set the premium at 25 percent of the cost of Part B.

That's where it remained until 1990, when Congress set the premiums for 1991 through 1995 at rates estimated to be 25 percent of program costs for those years. Medicare grew a little slower than expected during the 1990s.

At the present 1995 premium of \$46.10 is actually meeting 31.5 percent of the actual 1995 program costs.

Without legislation, Part B would default to the pre-1990 law, which means that even though the total Part B costs will increase in 1996, decreasing the premium to 25 percent of program costs would result in a lower premium.

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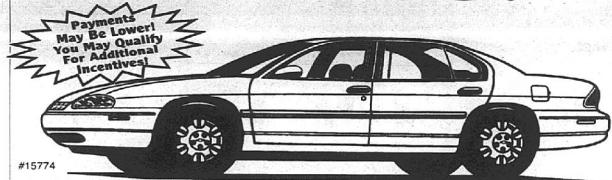
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